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Title: ELECTRIC COOKING HOB AND METHOD FOR
DETERMINING THE LOCATION OF COOKING UTENSILS
ON IT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, Applicants request that citation and examination of the following patents be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Patent:

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FOREIGN REFERENCES

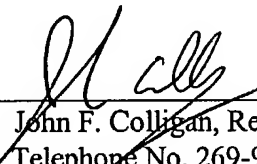
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A copy of each reference is attached for the Examiner's convenience and review.

Applicants' agent respectfully submits that none of the references teach or suggest, singly, or, where permissible, in combination, the invention claimed in the present application and therefore Applicants look forward to receiving early and favorable consideration of the claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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